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2 [REDACTED] THE RECENT ASSASSINATIONS OF U.S. CITIZENS IN EL SALVADOR HAVE NOT BEEN DONE BY THE RIGHT AS GENERALLY ALLEGED IN THE U.S. PRESS, BUT RATHER WERE DONE BY LEFT WING GUERRILLAS AS A PROVOCATION. [REDACTED] STATES THAT THE GUERRILLAS WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDERS OF BOTH THE U.S. MARYKNOLL NUNS AND THE MORE RECENT MURDERS OF U.S. AGRARIAN ADVISORS IN HOPE THAT THE KILLINGS WOULD BE BLAMED ON THE RIGHT AND WOULD UNDERMINE U.S. SUPPORT FOR THE PRESENT SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT.

3. WHILE [REDACTED] STATEMENTS MAY CLEARLY BE SELF-SERVING FROM THE RIGHTEST POINT OF VIEW, HE HAS NO HESITATION IN ADMITTING RIGHTEST INVOLVEMENT IN OTHER TERRORIST ACTS. SPECIFICALLY, HE HAS STATED THAT THE RIGHT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF ARCHBISHOP R O M E R O. [REDACTED] ROMERO'S ASSASSIN WAS RECRUITED IN MIAMI, FLORIDA, AND FLOWN TO EL SALVADOR ON A SCHEDULED FLIGHT OF TACA INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES. THE ASSASSIN'S WEAPON WAS SMUGGLED ABOARD THE FLIGHT BY [REDACTED] R I E T E, A SALVADORAN EXECUTIVE OF TACA AND CLOSE RELATIVE OF TACA PRESIDENT PANCHO B A L S A R E D D E. IN ADDITION, MONTALVO APPEARED TO HAVE PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF THE KIDNAPPING OF U.S. BUSINESSMAN DENNIS M C D O N A L D IN 1979.

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